## ST. MARK'S BISHOP'S COMMITTEE MINUTES June 19, 2013

Present: John Tennefoss, Lorraine Dierick, Jim Campbell (via telephone), Bonnie Campbell, Kevin Varness, and Martha Krug.

Lorraine opened the meeting with a prayer.

## The **Bishop's Committee Minutes: Kevin moved to approve the minutes of April 24, 2013. The motion was seconded and carried.**

The **Treasurer's Report:** Jim presented the **Summary of St. Mark's Finances – 6/15/2013, and the 2013 Operating Bills and Outreach Summary.** Jim reviewed the Summary and reported a Net Operating surplus of \$2,674. Utility bills are lower - usage has been 12% less than the previous year. All bills are paid current. Jim will give the Willapa ministry their \$50 check next week. Outreach expenses are already almost at the mid-point of the year. The DIF (Diocesan Investment Fund) is up \$2,000 from the first of the year. Pledge and plate are about what is expected with some of the people in the congregation with their health problems. Jim will talk to Chris Smith-Clark about closing the History Book fund. The Clergy Discretionary Account balance is \$374 – let us know if more dollars are needed.

**Outreach:** St. Mark's contribution to Camp Michael in Lacey was discussed. Applications for camp attendance are up. Camp will be July 23-27, and the cost ranges from \$140 for day camp to \$160 for overnight campers. **Jim moved to donate \$300 for one day camper and one overnight camper. The motion was seconded and carried.** 

## **Funds Summary**—Total is \$27,316.11

- General/Designated Checking Account—\$4,148.08
- General/Designated Savings Account—\$518.51
  - Operating Fund (General) \$5,320.57
  - History Book Fund (Designated) \$-653.98
  - Seminary/Education Fund (Designated) \$0.00
- Memorial Fund/Savings Account -\$985.94
- Diocesan Investment Fund--\$21,289.40
- Clergy Discretionary Fund/Checking Account -\$374.18

## **BUSINESS ITEMS**

- Willapa Region Meeting (May 19, at St. Mark's) Twenty-five attended the meeting which was held at St. Mark's. Jim and Bonnie reported that the treats were good, and it was a great meeting.
- **Montesano Community Bible Camp (July 8-12)** Lorraine has been recruiting help from other churches. Two people from the Presbyterian Church volunteered and Kathy Lauckhart from the Methodist Church will work, too. Registration for the pre-school group will be limited to 20, and include only children entering

kindergarten in the fall. Kevin noted that the puppet horse has been delivered. St. Mark's large maple trees have been pruned so that project will not impact Bible Camp.

• Special Topic – Discussion About Focus of our Worship, Preaching and Ministry. Jim will research purchasing the five-part DVD series on "The Bible," a suggestion that was made to engage the community. John suggested having a Ministerial Association picnic, and Bonnie said she will e-mail this idea to Bruce. Kevin said he likes the change in the service booklet which has larger type, flows well, and is more interactive. Kevin added that we need to look at accessibility issues for Lorraine. Bonnie discussed the flow of clergy in the service.

Jim reported that he is on the "Outside Church Walls" Task Force which is focusing on tying the Diocese of Olympia together, moving away from separate categories of the Diocese. Jim said good things are happening.

- **Priest Reports** Bonnie has been making weekly visits to Montesano Health and Rehabilitation. Requests were made for communion and repairing a rosary. Lorraine is recovering nicely from her foot surgery.
- **Other** Kevin has been researching a replacement for the old griddle and requested guidance on the cost, electrical panel changes and challenges. We currently have a single phase electrical panel. Lorraine suggested that the Bachtells (owners of a local restaurant) may be a resource for advice. Jim noted that it is time to do St. Mark's annual audit. He will ask Mary Linth to assist plus one other person is needed. A date for St. Mark's annual picnic will be discussed with the congregation.

The next Bishop's Committee meeting will be Wednesday, August 21, at 6:30 pm. The meeting was closed with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Martha Krug, Bishop's Committee Secretary